

Parks & Open Spaces Committee

26th February 2025

To: All members of the Parks & Open Spaces Committee

Councillors R Hailstone (Chair), S Heyes (Vice Chair) J Ali, Ellen Baker-Walker, J Jackson, A John, V Manro, O Munagala, R Ross, L Stevenson and R Worman

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to a Parks & Open Spaces Committee meeting of Haydon Wick Parish Council on Tuesday 4th March 2025 to be held at the Parish Council Offices, Thames Avenue, Haydon Wick, Swindon, SN25 1QQ at 7.30pm.

Members are politely asked to forward any questions or queries relating to items on the agenda to the Clerk at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Swindon Borough Council Ward Members, the public and press are also invited. Any questions for public participation must be sent to clerk@haydonwick.gov.uk no later than 12.00pm on Monday 3rd March 2025.

Yours sincerely,

Georgina Morgan-Denn

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Chief Officer/Clerk & RFO

AGENDA

1. **Apologies**
To receive and note.
2. **Declarations of Interest**
To receive any Declarations of Interest.
3. **Public Participation**
A period not exceeding 15 minutes for members of the public to ask questions or submit comments.
4. **Chairman's Announcements (if any)**
5. **Minutes of the Previous Meetings**
To approve the minutes of the meeting held 7th January 2025 (attached).
6. **Seven Fields**
To receive a verbal update on matters arising from Seven Fields.
7. **Deputy Clerk & Services Manager's Report**
To update on issues and actions since the last meeting that do not appear on the agenda.



8. **Councillor Reports**
To receive reports from members on attendance at external meetings or events and an opportunity for members to bring matters of interest to the attention of the Council for information or future discussion.
9. **Parks & Open Spaces Report**
To receive an update on the Parks & Open Spaces Maintenance Schedules, Service Improvements and an update on the Winter Projects 2024/25 (attached).
10. **Parks & Open Spaces Reporting Statistics**
To note the statistics for the reporting system October – February 2025 (attached).
11. **Outdoor Gym Project 2025/2026**
To agree the location, the public tender timelines and consultation methods for the proposed Outdoor Gym (to follow).
12. **Trees for Climate – Heaton Close**
 - A) To receive a verbal update on the tree planting event 21st February 2025 and note the grant/ future projects and administrative arrangements with Swindon Borough Council.
 - B) To consider areas for future tree planting under the available grant schemes.
13. **Tadpole Lane Permissive Path Plans**
To receive an update on the plans for a permissive footpath through Tadpole Lane field (attached).
14. **Increased Dog Mess Within The Parish**
To consider ways to create a 'pick up dog mess' campaign locally within the parish given the constant on major footpaths (attached).
15. **Parks & Projects Team Update**
To receive an update on works recently completed and upcoming by the Parks & Projects Team (attached).
16. **Grounds Maintenance Facility**
To receive a verbal update on the progress of the Grounds Maintenance Facility.
17. **Operational Budget Monitoring**
To note the Parks & Open Spaces Income and Expenditure for Month 10 (attached).
18. **POS Action Review Summary**
To receive an update on any actions arising from the Parks & Open Spaces Committee (attached).
19. **Items for the Next Agenda**
To be sent to the Chief Officer before the next meeting on 13th May 2025* (tbc).
20. **Exclusion of Public & Press**
To resolve in accordance with Standing Order 3 (d) that 'in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted and in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they be instructed to withdraw'. Reason: Contractual and Complaint.



21. Weed Spraying

To receive an update on investigations and enquiries about weed spraying within the parish and suggested timelines (to follow).

20. Resident Complaint / Potential Insurance Matter

To receive a verbal update on a resident complaint and potential insurance matter (to follow).

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation), Crime and Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights.

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